



Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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Mr. Martin Pfeiffer
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DEPT MR 68410
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SUBJECT: Declassification Proposal

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

This will formally respond to your recent request for declassification of certain information classified under the Atomic Energy Act.

In a request submitted via email to the Headquarters Department of Energy Freedom of Information Act Office, on February 11, 2019, you asked "the Department of Energy (and the Department of Defense) to authorize the declassification of the yield(s) of the W54 warhead version(s) used in the Davy Crockett weapons systems as well as the yields of the nuclear tests Little Feller I and Little Feller II." Your request was sent to the Office of Classification for action on February 14, 2019. Your request was forwarded to the Department of Defense for consideration by the Formerly Restricted Data Declassification Working Group (FRD DWG) on February 19, 2019.

The FRD DWG carefully considered your declassification proposal and determined that the precise yields of the W54 warhead and the actual yields of Little Feller I and II, cannot be declassified at this time. However, the yield of the warhead is in the sub-kiloton range.

My staff contact on this matter is Mr. Richard J. Lyons. He may be reached at (301) 903-6936 or richard.lyons@hq.doe.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew P. Weston-Dawkes", is written over a horizontal line.

Andrew P. Weston-Dawkes
Director
Office of Classification
Office of Environment, Health,
Safety and Security

